NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: Black Oak Trail West - Road to Trail conversion (CRSP 130)

LOCATION: Cuyamaca Rancho State Park

COUNTY: San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: This project proposes to initiate the conversion of approximately 300 feet (see map) of Black Oak Trail west (an old ranching/logging road) immediately north of the intersection with Milk Ranch Road. The end result will be a usable road bed for a very limited time (July 2014 - October 2014), before rehabbing it to a trail.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
Statutory Exemption (Section)
☑ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1 and 4

Section: 15301 and 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the project description including comments provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 - Existing Facilities and §15304 - Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- "Trail or road repairs" (Class 1, Section 15301); and
- "Trail construction or realignment" (Class 4, Section 15304)

The project consists of the minor public alterations in the condition of land and vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees (class 4).

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